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**REQUEST  
for  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
TRANSMITTAL**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000,  
provided for continued examination of a utility or plant application  
filed on or after June 8, 1995.  
See the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA).

Application Number	09/380,812
Filing Date	November 23, 1999
First Named Inventor	Kazuro U OKUZAWA et al.
Group Art Unit	1733
Examiner Name	Geoffrey L. KNABLE
Attorney Docket Number	99-0947A
Confirmation No.	3098

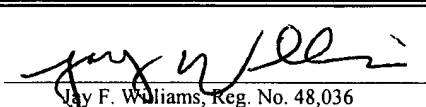
This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

**NOTE:** 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See *Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice*, Final Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 50092 (Aug. 16, 2000); Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.

1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114
  - a. ☒ Previously submitted:
    - i. ☒ Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on September 3, 2004.
    - ii. ☐ Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on
    - iii. ☐ Other:
  - b. ☒ Enclosed:
    - i. ☒ Amendment/Reply (6 pp.)
    - ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
    - iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
    - iv. ☒ Other: Petition for One-month Extension of Time
2. Miscellaneous
  - a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months. (period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required).
  - b. ☐ Other:
3. Fees (The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 when the RCE is filed.)
  - a. ☐ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. .
    - i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)
    - ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and § 1.17) (One-month)
    - iii. ☐ Other:
  - b. ☒ Check in the amount of \$900.00 enclosed.

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Kazurou OKUZAWA et al. : Docket No. 99-0947A  
Serial No. 09/380,812 : Group Art Unit 1733  
Filed November 23, 1999 : Examiner Geoffrey L. KNABLE  
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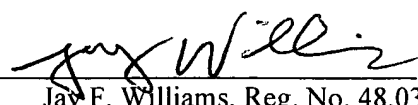
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Respectfully submitted,

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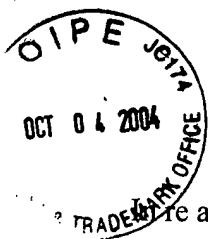
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**AMENDMENT AND REPLY**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action dated September 29, 2004, and the final Office Action dated June 3, 2004, and in furtherance to the response filed September 3, 2004, the period for response having been extended for one month by the attached Petition, Applicants herein provide the following amendments and remarks.

This response is presented concurrently with the filing of a A Request for Continued Examination (RCE).